

Ankave language

Ankave or **Angave** is a Papuan language spoken by the approximately 1,600 (as of 1987)^[3] Angave people in Kerema District, Gulf Province, Papua New Guinea.

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Phonology

Vowels

	<u>Front</u>	<u>Central</u>	<u>Back</u>
<u>High</u>	i		u
<u>Mid</u>	e	ə	o
<u>Low</u>		ɑ	

Diphthongs: /ia ea ai oa/

Consonants

		<u>Bilabial</u>	<u>Alveolar</u>	<u>Palatal</u>	<u>Velar</u>	<u>Glottal</u>
<u>Stop</u>	<u>Voiceless</u>	p	t		k	ʔ
	<u>Voiced prenasalised</u>	^m b	ⁿ d		^ŋ g	
<u>Affricate</u>	<u>Voiced prenasalised</u>		ⁿ dz			
<u>Nasal</u>		m	n		ŋ	
<u>Flap</u>			r			
<u>Fricative</u>	<u>Voiceless</u>		s		x	
<u>Approximant</u>				j	w	

Writing system

Ankave	
Region	Kerema District, Gulf Province, Papua New Guinea
Native speakers	(1,600 cited 1987) ^[1]
Language family	Trans–New Guinea - Angan - Southwest Ankave
Writing system	Latin
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	aak
Glottolog	anka1246 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/anka1246) ^[2]

An orthography using the Latin script has been developed for Angave, but less than 5% of its speakers are literate.^[3]

A a	B b	D d	E e	G g	I i	Ɔ ɔ	J j	K k	X x	M m
/ɑ/	/ᵐb/	/ⁿd/	/e/	/g/	/i/	/ə/	/ⁿdz/	/k/	/x/	/m/
N n	ᵊ ᵋ	O o	P p	R r	S s	T t	U u	W w	Y y	ʻ _
/n/	/ᵋ/	/o/	/p/	/r/	/s/	/t/	/u/	/w/	/j/	/ʔ/

Notes

1. Ankave (<https://www.ethnologue.com/18/language/aak/>) at *Ethnologue* (18th ed., 2015)
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 - Speece, Richard F. (1992). "Ankave Organised Phonology Data" (<http://www.sil.org/pacific/png/abstract.asp?id=39>).

External links

- Ankave dictionary (http://www.sil.org/pacific/png/show_pubs.asp?pubs=online&code=aak)
- English-Angave dictionary/SIL (http://www.sil.org/pacific/png/pubs/48458/Angave_dict.pdf)

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